

EXPERIENCE

2014-Present NH SWIFT LEA Facilitator and SEA Coordinator The SWIFT Center Kansas University and the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 03824

- Support SWIFT implementation at LEA/school
- Collaborate with The State Department of Education
- Guide SEA implementation and Leadership Teams regarding LEA and school data and technical assistance
- Convene quarterly capacity-building meetings
- Act as point person for providing technical assistance and communications at LEA and schools
- Primary contact between SWIFT Partner Sites and the State Department of Education
- Provide technical assistance using Active Implementation Frameworks to promote the full implementation and sustainability of SWIFT features at the school, LEA and SEA levels
- Mentor and support school coaches
- Coordinate logistics, coaching and TA support, data collection for school and LEAs

1993-Present Adjunct Faculty Antioch University New England, Keene, NH 03431

- Instruct and facilitate M.Ed. candidates in several methodology, theory and research courses
- Critical Skills Program Coordinator
- Advisor to M.Ed. students
- Assess teacher portfolio and Master's research work
- Conduct varied professional workshops

September 2005-Present Education Consultant Successful School Change Consulting, and; The Antioch Center for School Renewal

- Provide coaching and technical assistance with school and district based teams to create and implement action plans according to state and Federal requirements for restructuring inclusive of MTSS and Data Driven Decision Making
- Act as a liaison between schools and districts and the Vermont Agency of Education
- Provide school and teacher coaching for school change and change in the classroom especially in the areas of research based First Instruction, CCSS aligned instruction, inclusive problem based learning methodology, and building collaborative learning communities
- Developing healthy and effective school and district leadership teams at the administrative and teacher team levels
- Design, plan and implement initiatives, including MTSS necessary to raise student achievement

May 2009 – Present National Facilitator School Reform Initiative

- Conduct trainings to certify teachers to become Critical Friends' Group Coaches
- Chair, National Committee: Professional Learning Events Work group 2009-2010

Experience Continued:

August 2007-May 2009 Teacher Assistant, EDUC 192A

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003

- Taught essential topics in modern educational theory to several undergraduate seminar sections
- Worked as a member of team to coordinate logistics, assessments and course content
- Presented topical lectures

August 2007-December 2007 Teacher Assistant, EDUC 515

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003

- Taught principles and methods of teaching English at the secondary levels with an emphasis on the practical application of theory in various educational settings and contexts

January 2004-2006 Program Supervisor, Secondary Teacher Education Program

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003

- Advised, guided and evaluated social studies & English practicum students in their school sites through observation and communication
- Organized and lead three-way meetings with students and their participating classroom teachers
- Acted as mentor and guide for new Program Supervisors

September 2005-December 2005 Teaching Assistant, EDUC 524

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003

- Taught seminars in lesson planning and other facets of best practice in the classroom
- Evaluated and provided concrete feedback on lesson plans and written papers for students
- Acted as a resource for students in diverse areas

September 2002-December 2003 Resource Person, Collaborative Teacher Education

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003

- Advised, guided and evaluated practicum and pre-practicum students in their school sites
- Organized and led three way meetings with students and participating classroom teachers
- Participated in decision and policy making for the C-TEP program

1997-2003 Language Arts/Reading teacher grades 7 & 8

Frances C. Richmond School, Hanover, NH 03755

- NEA HEA Building Representative 2001-02
- Chairperson: Professional Development Committee 1998-02
- Critical Friends Group Coach 1999-02
- Adventures in Learning Faculty Representative 2000-02
- Language Arts Curriculum Development Committee 2001-02
- Mentor to first year teacher 1998-2000
- NEA HEA Negotiator 1999
- Cooperating teacher for Dartmouth College teacher interns 1997-1999

1996-1997 Language Arts/Reading teacher grade 8

Riverside Middle School, Springfield, VT 05156

- Facilitator for the Search Institute
- Member: Teacher Performance Review Committee
- Member: Wellness Committee

Experience Continued:

1991-1996 English teacher grades 10-12

Fall Mountain Regional High School, Langdon, NH 03602

American Literature, Senior English, College Prep Sophomore English, Honors Sophomore English

- NEA FMTA Co-president 1993-1996
- Advisor: Wildcat Connection Peer Leadership Group 1991-1996
- Member: Drug-free School Committee 1991-1996
- Member: Tech Prep Committee 1994-96
- Member: Human Resource Team 1994-95
- Advisor: Project Graduation 1991-1994

1991-1995 Trainer/Consultant

Northeast Regional Center for Drug-Free Schools and Communities

U.S. Department of Education, Sayville, NY 11782

- Instructed and facilitated teams of educators and community members in problem solving and communication development to enable them to return to their schools and communities with action plans to pro-actively combat drug use
- Conducted varied workshops

EDUCATION

2009 Education Doctorate, Teacher Education and School Improvement

Pilot study and Dissertation focus: school change and classroom methodology change

GPA 3.99

The University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003

1996 Master of Education, Critical Skills Focus

Antioch New England Graduate School, Keene, NH 03431

1990 Bachelor of Arts, English with Teaching Certification

Keene State College, Keene, NH 03431

VARIOUS WORKSHOPS PRESENTED and COURSES TAUGHT

- “Rising with SWIFT: ALL Means ALL” NH Association of School Principals Conference, Bretton Woods, NH, July 2016
- “Inclusive Policy, Structure and Practice: Using SWIFT to Transition to a Title 1 Schoolwide Program” SWIFT PLI, Arlington, VA, July 2016
- “Three Schools Three Journeys” SWIFT PLI, Arlington, VA, July 2016
- “Situating PBIS in the SWIFT Schoolwide Visioning Process” Midwestern PBIS Conference, Rosemont IL, October 2015
- “Leading School Transformation: Empowering ALL to Build School Communities for ALL” TASH National Conference, Portland OR, December 2015
- “Instructional Coaching” Antioch University New England in partnership with the Institute on Disability at UNH and the NH Department of Education, Fall/Spring 2015-2016
- Co-teaching
- Building and Supporting a Healthy School Climate
- Leading School Improvement
- Assessment Practices for Student Learning
- Problem Based Learning

- Action Research
- Teacher Leadership
- Concepts of Team
- The Constructivist Classroom
- Creating a Safe Learning Environment
- Differentiated Instruction
- Education by Design for Administrators
- Classroom Management Techniques
- The Critical Skills Classroom
- Developing Critical Skills for Excellence in Leadership
- Peer Leadership and Developing Advisories
- Community Building in the Schools and Classrooms
- Developing Resistance Skills in the Adolescent
- Community and School: Developing Allies

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT and MEMBERSHIPS

- Member: Association for School and Curriculum Development
- Member: American Education Research Association
- Jazzercise Instructor 2009-present
- CPR Certified 2009-present
- Parent volunteer, Plainfield Elementary School 2007-present
- Member: Plainfield Parent Teacher Organization 2006-present
- Mountain Ambassador: Okemo Mountain, Vermont 2004-2014
- Member: Care Committee Meriden Congregational Church 2005-2010
- Chair: Board of Directors Willowbrook Community Center 2005-2006
- Participating family for the Fresh Air Fund 2001-2010
- Committee Member for the local Fresh Air chapter 2004-2008
- Home for visiting French teacher 1998; Spanish teacher 2001
- Volunteer: “Adventures in Learning” Lesson for long living adults 1997-2003
- Volunteer: Adopt a Grandparent program 1998-2003
- House parent for adolescent overseas exchange groups 1997-1999
- Board Member: Camp Holiday, Keene, NH 1990

REFERENCES

- Michael McSheehan, SWIFT Center Director of Technical Assistance, the Institute on Disability at the University of NH, Durham, NH (603) 862-2144
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